PUBLIC SESSION

NEW HAMPSHIRE EXECUTIVE BRANCH ETHICS COMMITTEE

HELD AT SHEEHAN, PHINNEY, BASS & GREEN P.A.

FEBRUARY 4, 2015 8:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joseph DiBrigida, Jr.

PRESENT: ALAN JOHNSON, DALE KUEHNE, JAMES NORMAND, DOROTHY GRAHAM

Also Present: Deputy Attorney General Ann Rice

- The committee members reviewed and approved the draft minutes of the October 1, 2014 public meeting, the October 1, 2014 non-public meeting, and the January 7, 2015 meeting.
- Mr. DiBrigida and Ms. Rice informed the committee of their respective conversations with Ted Siefert, a journalist who is writing an article on ethics laws in various states.
- By a unanimous roll call vote, the committee moved into non-public session to discuss confidential complaints.
- After moving back into public session, a motion was made, seconded and approved to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting.
- Mr. Normand asked how the committee tracks its prior votes, which constitute "institutional precedent" although not public. Ms. Rice explained that the committee staff person maintains a spreadsheet of complaints that have been filed and their resolution, which could be made available to the committee and/or posted on the committee's secure website.
- The committee reviewed and made various changes to the updated version of the "user-friendly" complaint form. The committee then unanimously approved a motion to adopt the form as revised, with the provision that Mr. DiBrigida and Ms. Rice are authorized to make grammatical and formatting revisions.
- At the committee's request, whenever a document is posted on the secure website the committee's secretary will send an email to the members describing in generic terms what has been posted.
- The next meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the office of Sheehan, Phinney, Bass & Green.